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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 21, 2004, the period for response having been extended herein to February 22, 2005 (February 21, 2005 being a Federal holiday), by payment of the requisite fee of \$120.00 for a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), kindly amend the above-identified application as follows: